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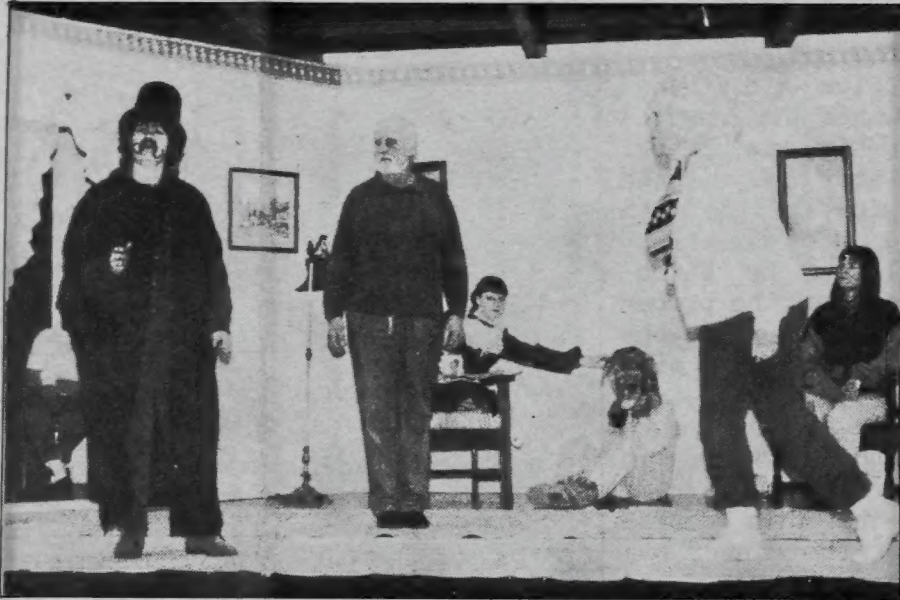
March 2, 1995

"The Scheme of the Driftless Shifter" in Wilberforce This Week-end

By Stewart Smith

"Will you please go and let me die in peace," pleads Petunia to a janitor who has appeared at the bottom of the stage. Petunia mourns, "This is my big scene. Everybody's spoiling my big scene."

That is part of the delightful chaos called, "The Scheme of the Driftless Shifter" (By Carolyn Lane), being prepared by the Loop Troupe, for presentation in the Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce, on Saturday evening and Sunday afternoon, March 4 and 5.



A scene from "The Scheme of the Driftless Shifter" on stage at the Lloyd Watson Centre. You will have to attend to identify the cast members, and their roles.

This writer, who has about two decades of experience in covering live theatre productions, cannot re-

call enjoying a the Driftless rehearsal so much as the Loop Troupe anarchy. The playwright must have directed plays too

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Andrew Pinck's Special Olympics Event Cancelled

By Stewart Smith winter, Kitchener did not have enough snow.

Andrew Pinck, of Cardiff, is understandably disappointed - probably angry.

For months he has been training rigorously so that he could compete in the Cross Country Skiing event of the Ontario Winter Special Olympics. The competition was to be in Kitchener, the last week and week-end of February.

Andrew could see what was happening. In this mild

He cannot understand why the organizers did not foresee this problem, and move the games to a more northerly town: maybe Barrie, or Orillia, or Owen Sound, or Peterborough. But they did not. They cancelled the games on short notice, instead.

"I'm very disappointed," is all that Andrew can say for publication.

Telecare Bancroft 332-2000

by Ann W. Smith from farther away.

Telecare Bancroft is going back to using its original telephone number, 332-2000, as of Tuesday, February 28, 1995.

The main reason for the change is that the 1-800 service opened the calling area up to a much wider range and the Peterborough Centre feels

that the volunteers will not be able to provide the information that may be needed to help callers

Telecare Bancroft has compiled a comprehensive list of agencies in the North Hastings and Cardiff area that help people with problems. This has been passed on to the Peterborough Centre so that they have the information to help callers from this area.

The Telecare Bancroft number - 332-2000 - is free to anyone living in the communities

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FROSTY FROLICS

By Stewart Smith

What a delightful conclusion Saturday, February 18, was to the Bancroft Frosty Frolics.

The weather was ideal for outdoor activities, with a bright sun, moderately cool air, warm in the afternoon. Earlier snows had laid a fresh cover on the sled dog trails.

The Bancroft Post Office parking lot filled up early with eager, barking dogs, and their people.

The 60 mile mid-distance races began at 10 am, with teams leaving one at a time, at 3 minute intervals. Only one track in front of the old railway station there was usable for the dogs and sleds.

Announcer was Sean Kelly, of Radio CJTN.

There were many other Frosty Frolics activities that day.

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Pat and Phyllis Gallen Fishing Derby

By Stewart Smith

The fishing derby has an old tradition; but it has a new name. It was held on Saturday, February 25 on five lakes near Wilberforce.

It shall be known as the Pat and Phyllis Gallen Fishing Derby. They have been pillars of the Wilberforce Legion, where he is a Past President.

It is sponsored and organized by the Wilberforce Branch 624 of the Royal Canadian Legion, and was held on Wilbermere, Esson, Dark, Grace, and Farquhar Lakes.

Organizing committee included John Sorensen, Jim West, and Dave Dmitriew on behalf of the Wilberforce Legion Branch.

Seventy (70) people entered the

contest, which was for lake trout only.

Winner of the derby was Ryan Simeoni, a young man from Wilbermere Lake area, with 1.625 kilograms.

II place went to Cliff Neil, with 1.155 kilograms.

III went to Bill Scheffee, of Halingburton, with 1.145 kilograms.

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National Heritage Week Celebrated in Wilberforce

By Stewart Smith

National Heritage Week was celebrated in Wilberforce with a party in the old Red Cross Outpost Hospital Building, on Thursday afternoon and evening, February 16.

The afternoon saw a delightful number of people gather to play Court Whist. They especially enjoyed the restrictions during some games - such as the "No Talking" rule at one point.

Some 15 people came to the Heritage Building that same evening for a series of old fashioned table games.

Four tables were set up in the living/dining room. On these, games of crokinole, dominoes, and Rummy Chips ("We call it 'Scan'," one person told the Courier) were played.

As with so many events in Wilberforce, people of all ages participated together.

A good time was had by all.



Playing crokinole - a popular game for many decades.

Night of Wine and Roses



Patti Lloyd, of Cavan, represented the Magnotta Winery. She told its history and demonstrated wine tasting by Ann W. Smith

A Night of Wine and Roses attracted 171 people to the Bancroft Fish and Game Clubhouse on Saturday February 11 in spite of biting cold and uncertain driving conditions.

The event was organized by a sub-committee of the North Hastings Recreation Pool Fundraising Committee.

The decorations used the seasonal Valentine theme including a huge heart made of balloons on one wall overlooking the Valentine Raffle prizes. There were

almost 60 prizes in this raffle.

The two featured raffles, the Romance Package and the Outdoor Package, each included about \$1,000 worth of merchandise.

The evening began with the guests mingling, looking over the raffle prizes and buying tickets. At 7:15 Layton Shouldice welcomed everyone to an evening of fun and merriment.

Patti and Jim Lloyd, representing Magnotta Winery of Vaughan, Ontario, were introduced. Patti gave a history of the company which began 4 years ago and has grown quickly because it keeps its prices down to a reasonable level. Magnotta wines has

vineyards in Mississauga and cellars in Beamsville. They also import some juice to blend with the Ontario grown juices. The wines are available at the winery and through sales representatives. Only the ice wines are available from the L.C.B.O.

Five different wines were served during the dinner. Patti began the wine tasting with a 1992 dry Riesling. She demonstrated the proper way to judge the flavour of a wine by putting a little in the mouth and sucking in air.

The main course of the dinner was Chicken Kiev and Roast Beef and Yorkshire Pudding.

The dinner was prepared and served by Bruce Kellar and his experienced associates so it was guaranteed to be a winner as much as the product of the Magnotta Winery.

The dinner was followed by dancing to the music of G. Glenn Creamer, the Valentine Raffle draw and the draws on the special Packages.

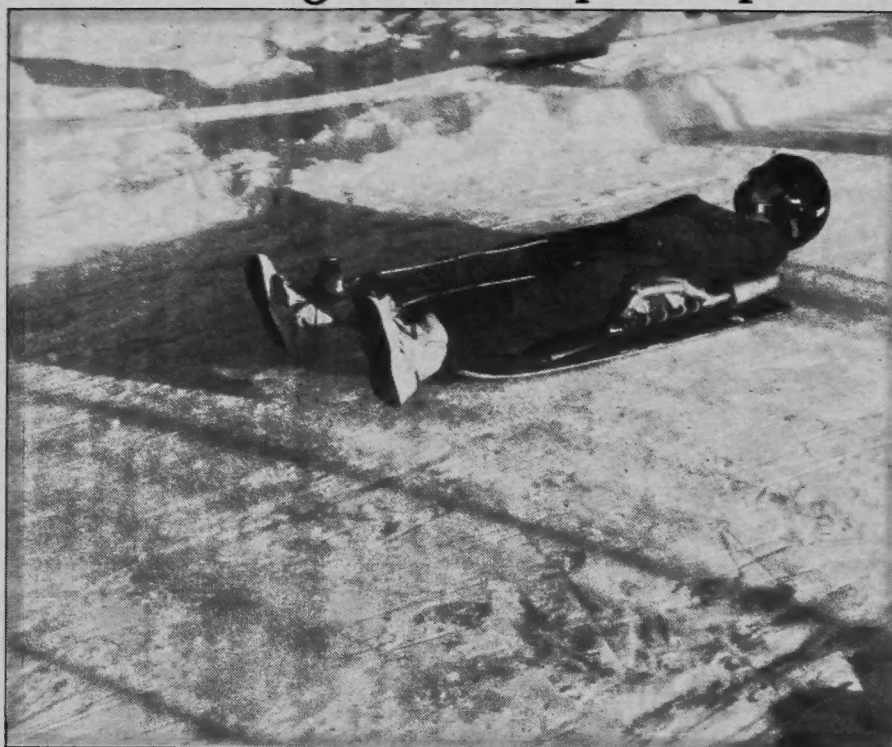
Monica Krowitz won the Early Bird Draw for a case of Magnotta Wine.

Debbie McDermott won the Romance Package.

Brian Bishop won the Outdoor Package.

As one of the organizers said, it was a great evening of dinner,

Ontario Luge Ice Championships



Junior Men's Luge Ice Champion, here on the ice track, is Chris Jenkins, of Apsley.

By Stewart Smith

The Ice Championships, of the Ontario Luge Association were held on the track of the Mineral Capital Luge Club, Bancroft, on Saturday and Sunday, February 25 and 26.

Sliders came from Bancroft, Apsley, and also Ottawa and Kitchener. Bancroft and Ottawa have been the two active Luge clubs in Ontario this winter.

The Championship was held on a 600 metre Ice Track worthy of its

name. Participants practised on Saturday. Then on Sunday they slid three times. The times for these three runs were totalled. The result (in minutes, seconds, and decimals of a second) is printed in this article.

New this year is a spectator trail, paralleling the ice track, and marked clearly. Spectators are welcome at this and other Luge events.

Non competitors, meanwhile, practised their skills on a "snow track", different in consistency, and 300 metres long.

Winners of the

Ontario Luge Championship are:

Senior Men:

1. Joe Ives, Bancroft - 1:34.93
2. Jessie Ives, Bancroft - 1:39.93
3. Phil Kenyon, Kitchener, 1:49.67

Senior Women:

1. Jane Grimshaw, Kitchener, 2:44.97

Junior Men:

1. Chris Jenkins, Apsley - 1:46.13
2. Tiernan McCann, Bancroft - 1:51.00
3. Curtis Arnott, Bancroft, 1:55.76.

"We really need officials," pleaded Sue Jenkins, of Apsley. Several people could not

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Complaining of Corporate Blackmail

Elmer Buchanan, MPP
February 16, 1995

Elmer Buchanan, MPP for Hastings - Peterborough, described how "big business sometimes goes to the provincial government and asks for money to support their new investments. You saw United Parcel Service say we'll go to New Brunswick if you give us so many millions of dollars."

The MPP said this happens every day between Canada and the U.S., between Canada and Mexico and between Ontario and other places in the world. "A company says,

"We can create new jobs in a community, if you give us some government funding to go with our new investment. But if you don't, we're going to close up this plant and move it to New Mexico or somewhere else."

We say, "Well, we want the jobs." Then we find out that New Jersey has offered them a better deal, so they go to New Jersey."

We might say, "Our government doesn't believe in giving money to big businesses, but when they say there are jobs on the line, you're being blackmailed."

Celebrating With Highland Grove Store



Presenting the sign to Pat Furneaux (far right) of the Highland Grove General Store are, left to right, Councillor Jerry Luczynski, Reeve Tom Elliott, Councillor Des Noblett, and Councillor Helen McIntyre.

By Stewart Smith
 "Congratulations. Highland Grove General Store. 1895 - 1995," read the motto on the birthday cake enjoyed during a special celebration at the Highland Grove Store, on Wednesday morning, February 22. Most of the Coun-

cil members of Cardiff Township were present, along with about 15 friends from Highland Grove and area. Reeve Tom Elliott helped present a sign to the store, on behalf of the Township and its Council. The sign, measur-

ing 3 feet by 5 feet, proclaims, "Highland Grove General Store. 100 Years Serving the Community. Est. 1895." It will be placed on the outside wall of the store, under the present "General Store" sign. "I paid off the

mortgage in December," Pat Furneaux rejoiced to friends present. She is also hoping for a special reunion week-end, sometime in the summer, when families of all the previous owners will be invited to a special celebration.

Country Praise Night II

By Stewart Smith
 "I thank God tonight that he's no crutch," Myles Sanderson introduced his song, "Then Jesus came, and cast out every fear...The tempter's power is broken; the tears are wiped away." "Jesus always comes on time - not our time, but

His time," agreed Betty Bruce and Glen Storey. "When the storm gets too tough, He will say, 'That's enough'." These were some of the singers taking part in the Country Praise Night II, presented in the Bancroft Pentecostal Church, on Saturday evening, February

18. The evening was organized by Janet Switzer, who also sang. "He Leadeth Me," she sang, in company with Carla Thompson and John Hales. "Even death's cold wave I will not flee - since God through Jordan leadeth me." M.C. was David

MacLeod, who sang with Bill Campbell. "What a day - glorious day - that will be," and then, "Because He lives, I can face tomorrow." "Help me stand, Lord, the way You stood long ago," sang Kim Robbins, who was on the program at two different times. "We can choose the songs that are meaningful to us," Durl Lott explained the arrangements for the evening. He sang, "Is your life filled with long wasted years?...God is calling you from a life of wasted years."

Many of the songs centred on the crucifixion of Jesus. Mack Gray, sang, "It was not

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Durl Lott sings, while accompanied by guitarists Leo Poulain (left) and Garry Switzer (centre).

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Injured Workers Hear About Bill 165

by Ann W. Smith

The North Hastings Injured Workers Group had 2 special speakers at the meeting on Monday February 13 in the North Hastings High School Library, Bancroft.

Ted McConnell is a Worker Adviser in Ottawa at the Office of the Worker Adviser, Ministry of Labour. His office represents all the cases in the Postal Code K area. McConnell reviewed the amendments to the Workers' Compensation Act that were made in Bill 165. This Bill received Royal Assent on December 29, 1994 but has not yet been put into effect.

McConnell felt that the biggest change was in the process of mediation. The Workers' Compensation Board has a huge backlog of appeals. The Ottawa office of the Worker Adviser is 2 years behind. The several offices throughout the province have similar backlogs. Under the new rules simple cases may be resolved by telephone. The Board must settle these cases within 60 days.

Another way to

speed up the process is the selection of certain cases that they will no longer handle. For example, in cases involving pension appeals, kits have been devised so that people can apply for pensions themselves. The Worker Advisers will still give advise if asked.

It is now written into the Act that doctors must send in reports promptly, subject to the client's consent, so that eligibility for benefits can be assessed promptly and correctly. This is an important factor in assessing Future Economic Loss.

McConnell pointed out that there is a new formula for calculating Future Economic Loss and emphasized that all injured workers must be aware of this and get advise from his office or from the Injured Workers Group.

Other changes to the Act deal with retraining. It states what are considered legitimate training agencies. The decision about when a worker is ready

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THURSDAYS OF EVERY MONTH**ONTARIO HAD FEARS
ABOUT FEDERAL BUDGET**Elmer Buchanan, MPP
February 16, 1995

At an "at home" in Lang, near Peterborough, a man asked Elmer Buchanan, MPP for Hastings - Peterborough, "When the Feds clamp down in their budget, does that mean Ontario is going to get cuts in transfer payments?"

Buchanan replied, "Probably, Yes. We don't know yet."

"I have a nightmare of what the Feds may do to Ontario, and the other provinces."

"If they cut back on the Canada Assistance Plan, which covers social assistance, health and post-secondary education, we have two choices. One is we somehow finance this thing and spread the pain, or we simply pass it through."

"Our worst nightmare is that the Federal government and Finance Minis-

ter Paul Martin are going to say to Ontario, 'Last year you got \$6.2 billion. Next year you're only going to get \$4.8 billion. You decide what's going to be cut in Ontario.' That would put the onus for cuts on Ontario."

THE MISSING \$3.5 B

On the provincial revenue side, Buchanan explained that Ontario is not getting about \$3.5 billion in transfer payments to which it is entitled. "Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and all the Maritime provinces get 50 per cent of their hospital and their social assistance funding from the federal government. We now get 28 cents. I'm not picking on Quebec but Ontario has to pick up these extra costs. So it's been tough in trying to maintain services.



Paul Ives holds a new Laser Luge, which he invites us to try - first on the snow track, and then maybe on the ice track.

FLO ELLIOTT WRITES FROM WILBERFORCE**CARS ALWAYS NEED PARTS**

Our car was wilting and whining during a cold snap; and when it finally refused to start one morning, we had to agree with it - that it did, indeed, need a new battery. So away we went to the shop to get one.

In our innocence we thought this would be a quick and easy procedure. How wrong we were!

First of all they have to install the battery, or the guarantee would not be honoured. So we put our nervous car into their hands and they drove it inside the garage.

The first thing they did was raise the hood. I think this was either to cool it off or warm it up or start the paying time. Whatever it was for, a mechanic would go over every so often and pat the car on the fender.

Fresh thing!

But perhaps this was just to cheer it up while it was waiting.

After about 20 minutes the battery was removed and we were given a slip to show that it wasn't any good. After using it for seven years this was no surprise. Now we thought, "Action at last."

No, not quite. Two men came along pushing a great big tool chest, which had to go through a narrow door into the garage. Now a noisy discussion began as to whether it would fit, until some one decided to measure both the door and the tool chest. It would go through, with only a bare inch to spare. So wiggle, wiggle -

the tool chest was in the garage.

Now the excitement started. All the mechanics dropped their tools and came over to admire it, look in all the drawers, and speculate which tool would go where. Finally and with great reluctance they parted with it and returned to work.

Now the time must have been up, because the battery was quickly installed in our car and with a final pat on the fender, the hood was closed.

When the bill was made up it was delivered to the person at the cash register, who laid it down on the counter because he was busy at the time. But then, when he came to ring it up the slip for the guarantee was gone. The slip was on the bill when it was brought in, but now it was gone, and the search was on.

For some reason they seemed to think that we had it. So we all had a search through my purse (big job), and in my husband's pockets, and all over the floor, in all the likely places and all the unlikely places. But it was well and truly gone!

Thank heavens for the computer! The number they needed was on it. So they just ran up a new bill and put the guarantee number on it.

A five minute job took nearly an hour, but the fun and excitement of it was well worth the time. Even the car is much happier and is so frisky it acts only half its age.

LUGE

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slide in the Championships, because they were recruited to handle timing machinery, or supervise the track, or tally times.

Officials were: Janice Arnott, Sue Jenkins, Mitch Loundes, Rosslyn McCann, Gord Meder, Nick Smithson.

LASER LUGE

The Mineral Capital Luge Club is having its next special event this coming week-end (March 4 and 5).

The Club has purchased one "Laser Luge" sled - a Made in Canada sled, formed of moulded plastic, and conforming to FIL (International Luge Federation) standards.

Others can purchase sleds at the Canadian Tire and other outlets.

The Club urges: Purchase your own sled. Then come to the Luge track (Highway 28, 7 kilometres east of Bancroft) to be taught Luge sliding by responsible, trained coaches.

**Legion Zone Awards
Presented to Cardiff Students**

By Kathy Smith

On February 14th, three students from Cardiff Elementary School were presented with awards from the Legion Zone Remembrance Day poster, essay, and poetry competitions.

Winners from the school had their work entered in competition with students from Peterborough and Hastings Counties.

Legion representatives, Mr. Burke and Mr. Smale presented:

* A FIRST place award in the Black & White Poster category to Sean Mulhall.

* A THIRD place



Mr. Burke (in chair) and Mr. Smale present awards to Sean Mulhall (holding plaque), Darryl Naulls, and Mandy Knott.

award to Mandy Knott "Category Two essay"; and

* a THIRD place award to Darryl Naulls, Category Two poems.

First place winner Sean Mulhall will have his pos-

ter entered in Province wide finals.

Mr. Smale congratulated the students on their accomplishments in winning the awards at the Zone level.

**Responsible Gun Owners
Organizing in This Area**

By Stewart Smith

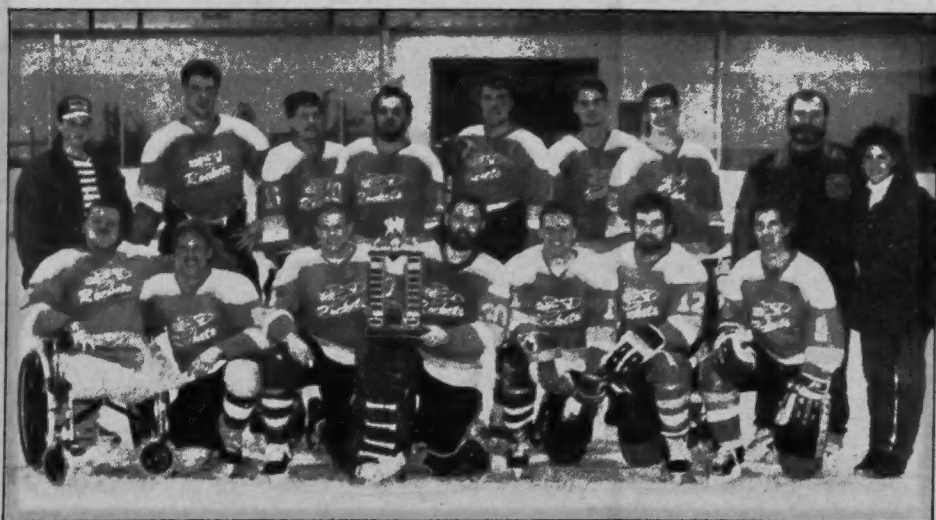
The resolution passed readily - the Chairman says, Unanimously - at the rally which filled the Bancroft Fish and Game Clubhouse to overflowing, on Sunday afternoon, February 26.

The resolution

also sums up the legitimate gun discussion rather well. It reads: "Since the law-abiding firearm owners of Canada are neither the problem nor the solution with regard to the criminal use of firearms and Since the proposals to harass the legitimate gun owning and using public were not the Liberal platform described in the Red Book and Since nowhere in Canada is there any evidence, statistical or otherwise, justifying the need for such

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Fred Agnew Memorial Hockey Tournament



The Wilberforce Rockets team celebrates victory. With them are Philip Agnew (front, left) and Mrs. Melissa Agnew (front, right).

By Stewart Smith

Eight teams entered the Fred Agnew Memorial hockey tournament, held in the Wilberforce Arena on Saturday, February 25.

This was a Gentlemen's Hockey Tournament, although several of the teams were from the Tri-County League, and several sported young players.

Fred Agnew, an ardent hockey player, died suddenly, while playing in the second period of a hockey game in the Bancroft Arena, on December 23, 1994. He was 28 years old.

A Fred Agnew Memorial Fund has been established in Wilberforce, his home town. Donations can be made at the Bank

of Nova Scotia in Wilberforce.

The fund will be used for recreational facilities - "more than just hockey," Rick Huffman insists - in the community. Mr. Huffman, organizer of the Memorial Tournament, referred to some community projects already being considered for help from this fund.

In the first round of play:

The Wilberforce Rockets defeated Shatraw, 8 to 1. We understand that this is a revival of the Wilberforce Rockets - once the team Fred Agnew played on - for this tournament.

Donaldson defeated Floodies, 2 to 0.

Paulmac's defeated Wessels, 6 to 0. Fred Agnew was playing on the

Paulmac's team when he died.

Jan Woodland defeated Forest View, 7 to 3.

Paulmac's later lost to Jan Woodlands in the "A" semi-finals.

The "B" Championship game pitted Shatraw against Forest View, in a fast and exciting game. Forest View was the stronger team, and won by 7 to 3.

The "A" Championship pitted the Wilberforce Rockets against Jan Woodland. The cheering was for the home team, but Jan's is also a strong team.

There was the beginning of a scuffle at the end of the first period. Then three Jan Woodland players left the game and left the ice. This

was not a penalty - it was a schedule problem. They had to be in Barry's Bay by 8 p.m.

Only late in the second period did the Wilberforce Rockets manage to get two goals ahead. The game ended with a victory for the Rockets, by 5 - 2.

Philip Agnew, Fred's brother; and Melissa Agnew, Fred's widow, presented the money and trophy to the winning teams.

Jan Woodlands decided to return their prize money to the tournament (presumably to the Fred Agnew Memorial Fund). The Wilberforce Rockets did likewise.

Organizer Rick Huffman assured the Courier that the Fred Agnew Memorial Tournament will be an annual event in Wilberforce.

Highland Grove Roast Beef Supper

By Stewart Smith

The supper was excellent. But the weather was close to a disaster. Still, about 85 people braved the elements to enjoy a Roast Beef supper in the Highland Grove Community Centre, on Saturday evening, February 11.

This was a Loop Carnival event.

The supper was prepared and served by the Highland Grove Activity Group: Beatrice Hughey, Susan Palmer, and Pearl Travis.

They were assisted by: Bernice Burroughs, Teresa Burroughs, Ian Covert, Ross Covert, Allan Watson, and Donna Watson.

These prepared a supper of roast beef, corn, peas and carrots, turnip, mashed potato and gravy, cabbage

salad, jelly, and lots and lots of pies. It was served buffet style.

People came as early as 4:30; and people continued to come non-stop until 7:00 p.m. "It was a relatively good turnout considering the weather," several staff agreed.

The Highland Grove Luncheon in March is scheduled for Tuesday, March 14 (see "Mark Your Calendar").

Members of the Highland Grove Activity Group speak of the possibility of a strawberry social, late in June.

They also speak with growing excitement of proposed renovations to the Highland Grove Community Centre. The kitchen space will be enlarged, and the general room will look less like a classroom. "We'll give it a face-lift by fall."

The Highland Grove Activity Group has purchased new pots and pans for the kitchen.

"Driftless Shifter" in Wilberforce

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often, and seen too many things go wrong. Now she has written them all into her script.

* "I hear someone knocking" pleads an actor on stage. The knock comes a few minutes later. * A call for the doorbell brings the sould of a clock.

* Everyone gets angry with the piano player, who has a "favourite piece" she plays at any opportunity.

* The "Director" scurries frantically, before the curtain is opened - or "supposed" to be.

* The "prompter" leans out a window to correct the actors - and even give a grammar lesson in the middle of the play.

* An argument erupts in the audi-

ence, and goes on to absurd lengths.

But all of these were written into the script by Carolyn Lane.

It is a measure of the skill of the Loop Troupe members that they can carry off this confusion with aplomb. Presented by a less talented cast, such a play would make the audience cringe. But here we can sit back and laugh.

Petunia has a sister - Marigold.

Petunia also has a boyfriend, Victor Strongheart, who was specifically cast for his youth and good looks. "I am not only rich and daring," he declares at one point in the play. "I am also kind."



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Frosty Frolics Was a True and Varied Winter Frolic

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Mel Gareau (right) and his assistant, Tiernan McCann, make taffy.

Danny Bierworth, from west of Bancroft, brought his horses and sleigh, and gave sleigh rides to young and old. This was courtesy of the B.B.I.A. Camp Can-Aqua put on a maple taffy demonstration -

and free sampling. Assisting were Mel Gareau, Nipper Dougall, Tiernan McCann, and Kerry McCann.

A Craft Show continued through the day, in the Legion Hall.

The Eastern Star Hall was filled, both on Saturday and Sunday mornings and noon times with diners.

Early in the afternoon, the 4 mile and 8 mile sled dog sprints began. These went north along the Hastings Heritage Trail, turning around at the 2 mile and 4 mile points, and returning along the

same routes.

The only event missing was the Celebrity Dog Sled Races - cancelled because of lack of willing dogs and equipment.

CRAFT SHOW

By Stewart Smith

Fifty-four (54) tables were rented for the Frosty Frolics Craft Show, held in the Bancroft Legion Hall on Saturday, February 18.

Cheryl Mills, of the Bancroft and District Chamber or Commerce, was organizer.

Ron Hughes, of Rocking Horse Toy Shop, Cardiff, was delighted not only with this show, but also with that in Wilberforce before Christmas.

He was one of many crafts people from Wilberforce,



Four Dog Sprint racer crosses a bridge built by the Hastings Heritage Trail Association.

Cardiff, Highland Grove, Bancroft, L'Amable, and surrounding area.

The NHVCS Seniors Home Support, and the Girl Guides, also had tables.

The Show opened at 10 am and continued until 4 pm.

PANCAKE BRUNCH AT EASTERN STAR HALL

By Stewart Smith

"All you can eat," urged the

Eastern Star hosts as they prepared and served a pancake brunch, in the Bancroft Eastern Star Hall, on Saturday and Sunday, February 18 and 19. This was a Frosty Frolics event.

The organizers were amazed, but delighted, with the response. "Many more than expected," marvelled one worker. About 120 people dined

here on Saturday, and about 100 on Sunday.

They enjoyed a feast of pancakes and maple syrup, sausage, bacon, scrambled eggs, toast and jam - "all you can eat." Admission was \$5 for an adult. The maple syrup was purchased from Lennox Paul, formerly of Maynooth, now of Lanark.

Two draw winners were declared on Sunday afternoon.

Winner of the hat was Ashlee O'Brien of Bancroft.

Winner of the crystal bowl was Thelma Barker, of Bancroft.



Gord Mackey, Manager of the Bancroft and District Chamber of Commerce, enjoys pancake brunch, with Chris Fouts, Mineral Development Coordinator for the Chamber.

Injured Workers Learn of Bill 165

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for vocational rehabilitation is decided in consultation with the worker, the doctor and the employer. McConnell admitted that it is difficult to give

clear cut answers. The Acts and Supplements are written by politicians and are open to human interpretation. It is his job to see the Act from the injured workers' point of view. Others see it differently.

Workers were urged not to accept the decision of the W.C.B. if they think it is not

fair. "Be aware that you have a right to fight", McConnell said. He also emphasized the need to confirm telephone conversations with the Board by writing a letter and keeping copies of all correspondence.

Richard Williams, Regional Vice President of the Ontario Network of

Injured Workers was another guest speaker. He is also President of the Durham Region Injured Workers.

He urged all the injured workers to come to the next meeting of the N.H.I.W. on April 3 and bring their families and friends. There will be a discussion about Bill 165 and the Ontario Royal Commission that is reviewing the work of the Workers' Compensation Board.

The Royal Commission will have hearings in Peterborough on March 7 and Kingston on March 9.

The Bancroft office of the N.H. Injured Workers is open Mondays from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Phone 332-2362.

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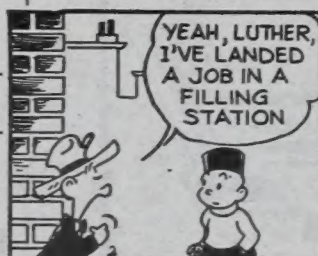
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Responsible Firearms Owners

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legislation and Since TR 1994-9e clearly proves that Canada's registration system is NOT useful to the police and prohibitively expensive and Since a computer system will suffer from inaccuracies of entry, the risk of loss of information by virus damage and unauthorized information leakage and Since therefore for no good and proper reason, the alleged majority of Canadians through the agency of the Justice Ministry is unjustly trying to impose its will on a minority, the lawful gun-owners of this country,

We the members of that minority and citizens of Canada ask our Member of Parliament to present this resolution directly to the Prime Minister requesting that the gun control section of Bill C-68 be removed from the crime package and greater emphasis be placed on:

- stiffer penalties for criminal use of firearms
- more effective use of prisons to keep dangerous offenders away from society
- closing our borders to the illegal importation of firearms with punishment fitting the seriousness of the crime
- making the Young Offender's Act a

deterrent rather than protection from punishment for juveniles."

Organizers from the "Responsible Firearm Owners of Ontario" included: * President, Jules Sobrian, from Ome-see, KOL 2WO, and his wife, Frances. * Vice-President, Clifford Dunford, of Peterborough.

* Volunteers Kevan Chernoff, of Have-lock; and Bob Caldwell, of Hastings town.

* Chairman of the Bancroft meeting was Denis Brown, Membership Chairman for the Bancroft Fish and Game Club.

These people want to recruit more members into the Responsible Firearms Owners of Ontario. Memberships are available at \$20 with a magazine subscription; and \$10 without.

Much was made of the absence of Larry McCormick, M.P. He had left a helpful book, "Background Information of Firearms Control", by the Department of Justice, Canada. It outlines the restrictions, and the banned weapons. "...So far, those at the meeting would want to

add." What assurance do they have that, if they register their firearms in good faith, these will not make it to a future "Banned Firearms" list, and be confiscated? For that matter, why is the Crossbow one of the banned weapons on the present list?

Yes, there was great fear and suspicion expressed at the meeting. "When your hands are tied and your feet are tied, you have to bite," protested Jules Sobrian.

There is legitimate fear among the gun-owners about computer registration of their guns. How long would it take for the criminal element to access that information, and then know all the homes in Canada they should hit, and for which weapons.

We have scarcely scratched the surface of a report on the meeting. Do you want it continued next issue?



Fish courtesy of the Cobourg Daily Star. Thanks!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Thursday, March 2: 7:00 p.m. World Day of Prayer Service at St. John Vianney Catholic Church, Highland Grove.

Saturday, March 4 at 7:30 p.m. and

Sunday, March 5 at 1:30 p.m. The LOOP TROUPE presents, "The Scheme of the Driftless Shifter." Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce.

Sunday, March 5 - 3:00 p.m. "Break the Ice" training at Monmouth Curling Club. All welcome. Come and try out the sport of Curling

Monday, March 6. Meet and talk with Elmer Buchanan, M.P.P. 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. St John's Hall, Bancroft. Lots of time for Question and Answer period.

Saturday, March 11 Deadline for Advertising for the next Cardiff Courier and Bancroft Courier.

Saturday, March 11. Harcourt Ladies' Roast Beef Dinner. 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Harcourt Community Centre. Adults \$8.00. Children \$4.00.

Tuesday, March 14. Highland Grove Luncheon. 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Highland Grove Community Centre.

Thursday, March 16 Distribution Day for next Cardiff Courier and Bancroft Courier.

Thursday, March 30. There will be NO Cardiff Courier or Bancroft Courier this week.

Friday, March 31. Pianist, Composer, Singer Eric Genuis in concert at Messiah Christian Academy, Elephant Lake Road. Concert begins at 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 1. Monmouth Figure Skating Club's Annual Carnival. Monmouth Arena, Wilberforce, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 22 and

Sunday, April 23. Annual Camp Can-Aqua Maple Syrup Festival. 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days.

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A Warm Welcome for Everyone

Country Praise Night II

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the nails that held the Lord. It was love for you and me."

"Everywhere there's evidence of love," sang Betty Anderson. "How clearly the sky reveals God's glory."

Dean Card told of a personal family tragedy 14 years ago, and sang, "Are we really ready to go?..The grave is not the end of this tale."

"All the way my Saviour leads me," Mark Lott sang to a hushed audience. Later he added, "I love you; I love you" That is

what Calvary said. 'I love you', written in red."

About 100 people attended this event.

Other singing combinations included: Garry and Judy Switzer and Ruth West; and Terry and Janet Switzer.

The Country Praise Night concluded with all singers

on the platform, singing, "I'll Fly Away."

Yes, Janet Switzer agrees, she would like to organize a Country Praise Night III. She is hoping that could be about the end of the summer of 1995.

Monmouth Curling Club Open House

By Ernie Hemphill

The Monmouth Curling Club will be hosting a "Break the Ice" gathering on Sunday afternoon, March 5, at the Club's Wilberforce rink.

The object of the

exercise is to demonstrate to non-curlers - young and old - what they have been missing.

It all begins at 3 p.m. on Sunday afternoon (after the play, "The Schemes of the Driftless Shift-

er"). There will be refreshments and an opportunity to find out why they call it the "Roaring Game."

Watch the demonstrations, throw a rock or two, or just enjoy the club's hospitality and goodies.

TELECARE

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that can call the 332 exchange free of charge. This includes Cardiff, Maynooth and Coe Hill.

Controlling Spending

Elmer Buchanan, MPP
February 16, 1995

Elmer Buchanan, MPP for Hastings-Peterborough, told of visiting a two-income family where one of them said, "What are you going to do for me, if you get re-elected?"

He answered, "We're trying to control our expen-

ditures and maintain programs the best we can without adding new taxes and increasing the deficit."

Buchanan believes the days of new programs, with lavish spending, are over. "Of course, from time to time there are some new needs, which you have to respond to."

Gallen Fishing Derby

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The organizers are delighted with the support of community businesses. They donated 70 prizes, so that every participant could receive one. The names of contributors will be posted in the Wilberforce Legion Hall, and presented in the next Cardiff Courier.

The next major fishing tournament organized by the Wilberforce Legion

Branch will be on Saturday, July 1 - Canada Day.

This will be for SMALL MOUTH BASS ONLY, and will be for 2 people teams. Registration will be \$15 per team. Fishing will be in "the lakes in the Wilberforce area." Participants will know which lakes are good for small mouth bass, and which are not.

Prizes will be for the largest single fish, and for the biggest catch of 6 fish. Additional information is available at the Wilberforce Legion.

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MONMOUTH TOWNSHIP COUNCIL

By Stewart Smith

Monmouth Township Council held its regular meeting in the Boardroom in the Lloyd Watson Centre, Wilberforce, on Monday evening, February 13, with all members present.

FIRE COVERAGE

Council discussed a First Response call in Monmouth, and covered by Glamorgan Fire Department; and a First Response Call in Cardiff Township and covered by Monmouth Fire Department. Not all First Response agreements are yet in place.

"We charge \$100 for that service here," noted Reeve Keith Tallman. Rick Forget and Harry Clark presented a motion which will make \$100 the de facto price for a First Response call.

Council also decided to make the arrangements with Cardiff Township a one year renewable agreement.

CITIZEN SPEAKS

Citizen Ian Bennie spoke to Council on a number of matters.

1. He congratulated Council for holding down last year's taxes, so that the only increase was in Education.

2. He expressed concern about the deterioration of Grace Lake Road, in Wilberforce.

3. He believes that the Garbage Dump hours could be substantially reduced. His suggestion? One day a week in winter, and 2 days a week open in summer.

4. He commended the Wilberforce and Area Police Volunteer Association. "We're very supportive (of them)," added Reeve Tallman.

5. Ian Bennie suggested that Wilberforce have an outdoor rink in addition to the Arena. Council then and later described a law suit at LaSalle, near Windsor, resulting from an accident on an outdoor rink.

6. Mr. Bennie

congratulated the community on the near completion of the Non Profit Housing complex, which has been some 10 years in planning. "I think you are to be commended for your perseverance in pursuing this," he applauded.

DUMP HOURS

Council discussed the problem of garbage left at the gate when the dump is closed. The attendant does go through such garbage, looking for any identification. Then the garbage owner is reminded that such action is offensive and an offence.

Council learned that Fred Taylor is not returning. They appointed Howard Anderson as dump administrator, and praised him for the work he has been doing for the past half year.

LIABILITY

Council members expressed shock with a judgement against the Town of LaSalle, near Windsor.

At an outdoor rink, a figure skater had made a hole in the ice. A minor hockey player later tripped

in that hole, and fell into the boards, seriously injuring himself.

The Rink - and beyond it, the municipality - was successfully sued for \$8.7 million, of which \$5.7 million must be raised through an additional tax on the citizens. It makes Councils wonder what facilities they dare provide for their citizens.

INFRASTRUCTURE

Council was told that there is additional Infrastructure money available in Haliburton County. The County Building is not going to be renovated as planned.

The Monmouth portion is \$29,325. Yes, the Township will accept this. They will spend it on roads - especially Grace Lake Road.

RECREATION BOARD

Mary Harnden has been appointed to the Recreation Board to replace Gary Stoughton, who has given up his seat.

Council also reminded itself of Country Good Times, coming on July 14, 15, and 16.

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